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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—
Sterling Reserve.....\$10,000,000
Silver Reserve.....\$9,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPTORE.....\$10,000,000

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....Yes 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED.....6,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....9,940,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. Haupt, Esq., Chairman.
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CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—J. R. M. Smith.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. E. R. Hunter.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND LLOYD BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per Cent per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per Cent per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent per Annum.
J. R. M. Smith,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 21st March, 1906. [21]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXI.

DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. Smith,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [22]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP...Sh. Taels 7,500,000
HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:
Berlin Calcutta Hankow Peking
Tientsin Tsingtau Yokohama

FOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING BANKS AND BANKERS:

Koenigliche Seehandlung (Preussische Staatsbank)

Direction der Disconto-Gesellschaft

Deutsche Bank

S. Bleichroeder

Berliner Handels-Gesellschaft

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Robert Warschauer & Co.

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Sal. Oppenheim Jr. & Co. Koenig

Bayerische Hypotheken und Wechselbank, Muenchen.

LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS, THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY, DIRECTION DER DISCOUNTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

HUGO SUTER,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1906. [24]

NEEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MATSCHAPPIJ.

(Netherlands Trading Society.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Fl. 45,000,000 (£3,750,000).
RESERVE FUND Fl. 5,000,000 (£ 417,000).

Head Office—AMSTERDAM.

Head Agency—BATAVIA.

BRANCHES—Singapore, Penang, Shanghai, Rangoon, Semarang, Sourabaya, Cheribon, Tegal, Pecalongan, Paseroean, (Jalatap), Padang, Medan (Deli), Palembang, Kofa-Radj, (Acheo), Telok-Semawoo (Acheen), Bandjermasim.

Correspondents at Macassar, Bambay, Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy, Yokohama, Kobe, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, &c.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

THE Bank buys and sells and receives for collection—Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and corresponds in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts 2% per annum on daily balances.

Fixed Deposits 12 months 4% per annum.

Do 6 do. 4% do.

Do 3 do. 3½ do.

Do 1 do. 2½ do.

Do 1 do. 2 do.

Do 1 do. 1½ do.

Do 1 do. 1 do.

Do 1 do. ¾ do.

Do 1 do. ½ do.

Do 1 do. ¼ do.

Do 1 do. ½ do.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM,"	2,363 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN,"	2,338	W. A. Valentine.
"FATSHAN,"	2,260	R. D. Thomas.
"HANKOW,"	3,073	C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN,"	1,995	J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. and 10.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8.30 A.M., 3 P.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River, Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN,"	1,998 tons	Captain G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 P.M. Departures on Sundays at Noon.		
Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M.		

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN,"	219 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 8 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.		

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM,"	588 tons	Captain J. Wilcox.
"NANNING,"	569	C. Butchart.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M. calling at Yunki, Mahing, Kumchuk, Kau-Kong, Samshui, Howlik, Shiu-Hing, Luk-Po, Lo-Ting-Hau, Tak-Hing, Doshing and Fong-Chuen. Departures from Wuchow for Canton calling at the above ports every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8.30 A.M.

FARES.—Canton to Wuchow.....Single \$15.00. Return \$25.00.

Canton to Tak Hing.....Single \$12.50. Return \$21.00.

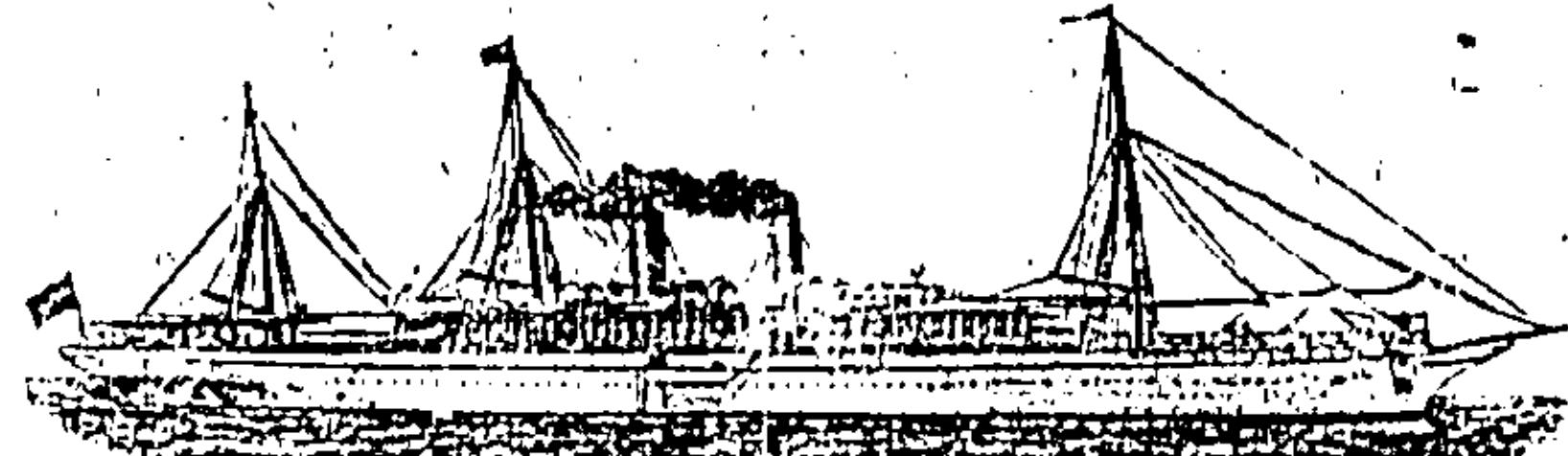
Canton to Samshui.....Single \$7.50.

The above vessels have superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Meals charged extra.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
Hotel Mansions, (First Floor) opposite the Hongkong Hotel,
Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1906.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

Luxury—Speed—Punctuality.

The only Line that Maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 Days across the Pacific is the "Empress Line." Saving 3 to 7 Days Ocean-Trial.

12 Days YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER. 21 Days HONGKONG TO VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (Subject to Alteration).

R.M.S.	Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER
"EMPEROR OF CHINA,"	5,072	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 28	April 18
"ATHENIAN,"	2,440	WEDNESDAY, April 11	May 5
"EMPEROR OF INDIA,"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, April 18	May 9
"MONTEAGLE,"	5,500	WEDNESDAY, May 2	May 26
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN,"	6,000	WEDNESDAY, May 9	May 30
"TARTAR,"	4,425	WEDNESDAY, May 23	June 16

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (through the INLAND SEA of JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, connecting at VANCOUVER with the COMPANY'S PALATIAL OVER-LAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via St. Lawrence &c. Via New York £62.

Hongkong to London, Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class Rail £40.

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE" and "TARTAR" carry "Intermediate" Passengers only at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent,

Hongkong, 13th March, 1906. Corner Pedder Street and Praya, opposite Blake Pier. [13]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASIATISCHER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Routes to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, Ports in the LEVANTINE; BLACK SEA and BALTIC Ports; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN Ports.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS DESTINATIONS SAILING DATES.

SAXONIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	24th March	Freight.
SILESIA*	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	31st March	Freight and Passengers.
SCANDIA*.....	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG.	13th April	Freight and v. Döhren.....
SENEGAMBIA*.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st April	Passengers.
SEGOWIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	5th May	Freight.
C. FERD. LAEISZ*.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	16th May	Freight.
VANDALIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	About middle of May	Freight.

* Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of this steamer. Saloon and cabins amidships. Lighted throughout by Electricity.

Duly qualified Doctors are carried.

For further Particulars, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, King's Buildings.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1906.

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Mails.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHE LLoyD, BREMEN.

EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;

steamers will also call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading for all European, North and South American Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS SAILING DATES.

BAUERN	WEDNESDAY, 28th March.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 11th April.
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY, 25th April.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 9th May.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 23rd May.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 6th June.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 20th June.
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY, 4th July.
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY, 18th July.
BAUERN	WEDNESDAY, 1st August.
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 15th August.
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY, 29th August.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 12th September.

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 90 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Nos. 376, 500, or 681.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Edt. Liebers, Scotts, A. 1, and Watkins.

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EYES

RIGHT!

N. LAZARUS, OPHTHALMIC OPTICIAN, 8, PEDDER STREET, HONGKONG.

WILL test your eyes free of charge, and if they are wrong will put them right.

Lenses Ground. All kinds of Repairs. Spectacles for all requirements. Ask, or write, for Illustrated Booklet on "Defective Sight"—free.

LONDON, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI, 21, John Street, Bedford Row, W.C. 59, Bentinck Street, 566, Nanking Road, Hongkong, 27th November, 1905.

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WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP CO.

HONGKONG-KONGMOON AND KAUKONG LINES.

S.S. "TAK HING."

SAILS every SUNDAY, TUESDAY, and THURSDAY, at 7 P.M., for the above Ports. THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES ONLY 36 HOURS.

HONGKONG-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SAN-UI."

SAILING TWICE A WEEK. THE ROUND TRIP OCCUPIES 51 DAYS. They pass through the Canton delta, and steam up about 150 miles through the gorges, and beautiful scenery of the West River.

Fare for the Round Trip \$30.

These steamers have Excellent Saloon Accommodation, and are Lighted by Electricity.

For further information, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS, WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. CO., HONGKONG.

Intimation.

**W.M. POWELL,
LTD.,
ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.**
JUST RECEIVED.

**DAINTY
DRESS
FABRICS**
for
**SPRING & SUMMER
GOWNS.**

**LATEST
PRODUCTIONS.**

**FANCY MUSLINS,
FIGURED MUSLINS,
SPOT MUSLINS,
PRINTED MUSLINS,
CHECK MUSLINS,
25 cts. to \$1.25 per yard.**

**COLOURED
DRESS
LINENS,**
(all pure Flax)
—Everlasting Wear—
in
**PALE BLUE,
BUTCHER BLUE,
NAVY BLUE,
GREEN AND FAWN,
75c. per yard.**

**PRINTED
VOILES AND
NAINSOOKS,
CRASH
ZEPHYRS,
MERCERISED
LAWNS,
FRENCH
DELAINES,**
&c., &c., &c.,
AT MODERATE PRICES.

**FIRST-CLASS
DRESS-MAKING**
At very Reasonable Charges.

**Wm. POWELL, Ltd.,
HONGKONG.**

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1906.

Intimations.

**THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COM-
PANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED,
will be held at the Office of the Company,
St. George's Building, Chater Road,
Victoria, Hongkong, TO-MORROW, the 24th
day of March, 1906, at 11.30 o'clock A.M.,
when the aforesaid Resolution which was
passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting
held on 7th March, 1906, will be submitted for
confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION.

That the Capital of the Company be in-
creased to \$2,000,000 by the creation and
issue of 50,000 New Shares of \$10 each
fully paid up to be offered at par and if
accepted to be allotted to the persons
constituting the shareholders of the
Company according to the Company's
register of shareholders on the first day
of July, 1906, in the proportion of one
new share for every three old shares in
the Company held by the respective
shareholders thereof, the amount payable
on each of such new shares to be paid
on the 1st day of July, 1906, and that
failing such allotment as aforesaid the
said new shares be disposed of by the
General Managers in accordance with
the Company's Articles of Association."

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1906. [324]

**I.U.ZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held at
the Offices of the General Agents, on SATUR-
DAY, the 1st March, at Noon, for the pur-
pose of receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st March,
both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1906. [349]

A REAL HEALTH FOOD.**"NOTHING BETTER!"**

MACLAREN'S CREAM CHEESE is a
perfect Cheese and a perfect Food.
When you know Cheese better, you will eat
less meat—when you know MacLaren's Cream
Cheese, you will know the "Best Cheese."
See that you get it in air tight tins to pre-
serve its freshness and good flavour.

H. RUTTEN JR.,
No. 5, D'Aguilar Street,
and
No. 17, Elgin Road, Kowloon,
Hongkong, 21st March, 1906. [164]

**THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE,
1898.**

**APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF
TRADE MARKS.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the LEE
HING SHING FIRM, of 5, Wing Sing
Street, Victoria, Hongkong, Traders have on the
23rd day of January, 1906, applied for the regis-
tration in Hongkong in the Register of Trade
Marks, of the following Trade Marks:

Representatives of

1. Three monkeys and a peach.

2. A horse.

3. A dragon twisted round a pole, the sun,
and two unicorns.

4. Three boys supporting a carp.

5. Four boys and a phoenix.

6. Two stags and a cash.

7. A cherub and two pictures of the world.

8. Two monkeys, one with a peach, the
other with two pieces of Jadestone, and
the Chinese characters meaning "Lee
Yik Foreign Firm" and "Harmonious
monkeys as mark."

9. A flying dragon.

10. A cat.

11. A tiger and a horse.

12. A flying horse and the sun.

13. A flying fish.

14. A flying phoenix.

15. A cock's head.

16. A monkey on a stag holding a peach and
the Chinese characters meaning "Lee
Yik Foreign Firm."

17. A cock with a centipede in its mouth
and 4 chickens round it.

18. A reindeer and a tree;

in the name of THE LEE HING SHING
FIRM, who claim to be the proprietors thereof.

The Trade Marks have been used by the
applicants in respect of the following goods:

MATCHES IN CLASS 47.

Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be seen
at the office of the Colonial Secretary of
Hongkong.

Dated the 23rd day of February, 1906.

DENNYS & BOWLEY
Solicitors for the Applicants.

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CIGARS.

DUTCH CIGARS;
MIXTURE OF JAVA AND BRAZIL TOBACCO WITH
SUMATRA COVER.

Well-known brands are:

Mercurio (Cigarellos), Orlando, Carlo Basto,
Flor de Flores, Timosa, Don Alonso,
La Bella Rita, Club, Excellent.

HAMBURG CIGARS
OF BEST BRAZIL TOBACCO.

Roland von Hamburg, Recordslager,
Aristocrate, Flor de Mondego,
Hammonia Docks.

Beat everything of same origin.

VIRGINIA CIGARS
OF BEST VIRGINIA TOBACCO.

King Edward.

As smoked by

H.M. King Edward and
H.M. Emperor William.

SOLE IMPORTERS—

LÜTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO.,
2, Pedder Street, 2.

Third Floor. Please take the Lift.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1906.

A NEW NAVIGABLE BALLOON.

Submarine navigation has, in some respects,
its counterpart in military aeronautics. The
submarine boat is at present a much more
advanced engine of warfare than the balloon.
But finally in regard to these things has not
yet been attained. The controversy aroused
in naval circles when submarine navigation
was first seriously proposed will not have been
forgotten; or how it was contended that the
idea was the maddest of hallucinations, and
fraught with incalculable and unjustifiable peril.
That time is not long past, but the submarine
boat has emerged successfully through the
experimental stages, and although the cost has
been a heavy one, it has "come to stay."

The case of the war balloon, man-lifting kites,
and other items in the outfit of the military
aeronaut is somewhat analogous. Lieutenant-
General Sir Ian Hamilton, one of the most
"modera" of our soldiers, is credited with in-
ability to admit the practical usefulness of either
balloons or kites in the theatre of war. Yet in
the British Army very large sums have been
expended in recent years, both on experiments
with navigable balloons, and the provision,
equipment, and maintenance of a considerable
aerostatic fleet for the purposes of the Field
Army. The Army balloon factory at Aldershot
is conducted under the superintendence of
Colonel Templer, a well-known inventor, and the
personnel of the balloon corps is furnished by
the Royal Engineers. The work now being
prosecuted by the balloon corps is especially
interesting.

Three very important novelties are being
experimented with, notable in interest and
importance being a new navigable balloon
that has been in hand some months. Like
most of the British military aerostats, it is
"built up" of gold-beater's skin, placed layer
upon layer until great strength and thickness
have been obtained. Made in this way bal-
loons are almost invulnerable to rifle fire, and
very difficult to tear or rip extensively, even
when struck by fragments of shrapnel. The
new balloon is 132 ft. in length, and has a
diameter, roughly, of 25 ft. It has cone-shaped
ends. Suspended some thirty or forty feet
below, so as to give it a good clear swing, is a
basket-work car, fashioned like a whale boat.
Within this are sets of motors capable of ex-
erting 30 h.p., driving propellers fixed at either
end of the car. Tests have led those engaged
in the experiments to believe that in a calm air
it will be possible to impel the balloon in any
required direction at a rate of twenty-five miles
an hour.

The second novelty is the man-lifting kite,
the invention of Mr. S. F. Cody. Ascents vary-
ing from one thousand to three thousand feet
are frequently made. In September, when two of
the three divisions of the Army Corps dug
themselves into a line of entrenchments six
miles in extent on the southern slopes of the
Chilterns, the entire operation was watched,
reported, and sketched by a young officer of
Royal Engineers from a kite at an altitude of
2,500, or thereabouts.

These experiments are being continued, as
also are some with a wired machine—the third
novelty—called the "glider," in which, when
released at certain altitudes, the person operating
it can project himself and the machine in a
required direction, and with a bird-like ex-
periment of a pair of wings very enormously aid his
flight, and eventually make a graceful and easy
descent to terra firma.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

Auctions.**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-MORROW,
the 24th March, 1906, at Noon, at the Hong-
kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's premises, the following:

Ex S.S. "OANFA,"
W.Y.T. & Co., 1,572 pds. ROUGH LUMBER;

AND
Ex S.S. "TELEMACHUS,"
W.Y.T. & Co., 2,798 pds. ROUGH LUMBER.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1906. [325]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
from the Official Receiver in Bankruptcy,
to sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,

TO-MORROW,
(SATURDAY) AND TUESDAY,
the 24th and 27th March, 1906, commencing
each day at 2.30 P.M. sharp respectively,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,

A FINE COLLECTION OF
OLD PEKIN CURIOS.

Comprising:—

Kanghi and Yung Ching VASES, BOWLS,
WALL PLATES, TEA CUPS, SNUFF
BOTTLES, JADESTONE EARRINGS AND
ORNAMENTS, &c., &c., &c.

ALSO

A QUANTITY OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE.

AND

ONE IRON SAFE, by Verstraen, Paris.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1906. [325]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW,
the 24th March, 1906, commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at 12, Austin Avenue, Kowloon,

THE WHOLE OF THE
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BIRTHS.
On the 16th March, at Shanghai, the wife of Mr. E. GERECKE, of a daughter.
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MARRIAGE.

On the 16th March, at Shanghai, WILLIAM KNIBB STANION, second son of E. Stanion, Revenshaw, Manchester, to PHOBIE LAMOND, second daughter of J. B. Lamond, of Shanghai.

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On the 16th March, at Shanghai, ARCHIBALD CRAIG WALKER, Chief Draughtsman, Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

The Hongkong Telegraph
HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1906.

**THE PROPOSED MORRISON
MEMORIAL.**

Protestant missionaries in China will regard with considerable satisfaction the prominence that has been given the proposal to establish a Morrison Memorial in Canton in commemoration of the centenary of Protestant Missions in China. Public attention was first drawn to the movement to mark the hundredth anniversary of the arrival of Robert Morrison in China by a letter from our Canton correspondent appearing in these columns on the 5th inst. The *Singapore Free Press*, of the 14th inst., in an editorial in which the writer reproduces an excerpt from our correspondent's communication, characterizes the movement as one "that must call for the active sympathy and co-operation of all who are interested in Christian missions in the Straits." "When it is remembered," our contemporary states, "how closely Dr. Morrison, after his visit to Singapore, was associated with the early history of the Anglo-Chinese College at Malacca, as also with that of Raffles Institution at Singapore, we feel sure that it will occur to the executives of the various British and American Protestant mission agencies here, that there would be much propriety in their collectively considering the matter of associating themselves with this Morrison centenary movement at Canton. Tropical inertia is too often strong upon us in the perennial summer of the Straits, and the tendency for men who feel that on occasion action should be taken, to leave it to the initiative of somebody else, is more or less chronic in our community. But it is probable that, in the matter to which we here invite the attention of all concerned, there will be no unreadiness to see that much as Dr. Morrison did for Canton and South China, his efforts and good offices towards the forwarding of Christian missions and education in the Straits Settlements should not, at this time be forgotten. And we further think that no man is better qualified to take the initiative than the Rev. W. G. Shellabear, whose work in Malacca may be looked upon as, in some respects, a continuation of the historic labours of Milne and Morrison. Mr. Shellabear is just now in Singapore, and possibly he may find time to institute the preliminary steps towards some organized participation, on behalf of the Straits mission communities, in the Morrison memorial movement for next year's celebration." The *Free Press* concludes the article, which we commend to the notice of the promoters of the Centenary celebrations, by quoting the following brief reference, from Mr. C. B. Buckley's *Anecdotal History of Singapore*, to Dr. Morrison which we reproduce textually from the senior Singapore journal:—"On the 29th May, 1819, the Rev. Dr. Milne, of the Anglo-Chinese College at Malacca applied for ground to build a school. He had established a Christian Mission at Malacca in the year 1818, when there were no schools there for the gratuitous institution of children. He returned to Malacca in 1823, as Abdulla tells us, with his wife and children. Abdulla says "I observed the bearing and deportment of Mr. Milne to be those of a gentleman; his conversation was polite and refined," and tells a great deal about him. Dr. Morrison, the famous Chinese scholar, came to stay with Dr. Milne at Malacca. Abdulla says that if Dr. Morrison had worn a Chinese dress no one would have taken him for a European; as he spoke Chinese so well, and his manner, voice, and the pen he wrote with were all like the Chinese. Dr. Morrison, of the University of Glasgow, was sent out to Macao in 1827, by a Society of members of various British churches for the purpose of acquiring the Chinese language, as it is spoken.

in the deed drawn up at Canton on 21st March, 1820, regarding the Anglo-Chinese College at Malacca, to which he gave £1,000 which he had saved. It says that he entrusted the building of the College, the foundation stone of which was laid in Malacca on 14th November, 1818, to Dr. William Milne, his first associate, he says, in the Chinese Mission. Dr. Morrison was the first Vice-President of the Raffles Institution in 1823, and drew up a long paper of suggestions for Sir Stamford Raffles respecting it, which is found among some old papers printed at the Malacca Mission Press in 1823, from which the above particulars about these two prominent missionaries, the pioneers in the Straits and China, have been found. Another old Malacca book printed at the Anglo-Chinese Press in 1819, called the *Indo-Chinese Gleaner*, contains a long memoir of Mrs. Milne, who died at Malacca on 20th March, 1819, 36 years of age. The Reverend Robert Morrison, D. D., wrote at Macao his grammar of the Chinese language and his Dictionary, the expense of printing, £12,000, being paid by the East India Company. It was on his suggestion that Sir Stamford Raffles called the meeting on 1st April, 1823, to form the Singapore Institution. He was the first European who prepared documents in Chinese which they would consent to receive, and the first paper he wrote was supposed to have been the production of a learned Chinese so means were taken to try to discover its author, as it was an act then regarded in China as treason. Dr. Morrison died at Macao on 1st August, 1834, and a long memoir appeared in the London Asiatic Journal for March, 1835.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

SEÑOR Quintana, the President of the Argentine Republic, is dead.

THE Crédit Mobilier of Japan has signed the contract for a ten-million-yen industrial loan to Corca.

THE M. M. S. *Lokgor*, 4,444 tons, which left Shanghai for Japan on the 12th instant, and got round on the middle ground bank, below Kiuton Lightship, was still ashore there on the 18th inst.

PRINCE Arthur received the most cordial send-off on the 16th inst. at Tokio and Yokohama. There was a tiffin to British residents on board the R. M. S. *Empress of Japan*, by which the Prince and suite left for Vancouver.

THE coolie who was arrested some days ago for collecting money from various firms for a bogus hospital, was yesterday brought up for trial at the Police Court. He was found guilty, and Mr. F. A. Hazelton sentenced him to two months' hard labour.

"Do you owe this money?" asked His Honour the Puisne Judge of a defendant in the Summary Court this morning. "Well," replied the defendant, "I did sign a promissory note, my Lord." "Then that shows you do owe the money," said His Honour. "Judgment with costs for the plaintiff!"

TELEGRAMS have been received from Newchwang stating that the Japanese authorities proposed to fix a date for the official opening of the port. Mr. Fulford, the British Consul, Messrs. Bush Brothers, and others protested against this, and the Japanese gracefully withdrew. It was expected that the port would be open to steamers on the 22nd instant.

THE King's Park 500 yards range will be open for practice and competition shooting tomorrow afternoon, from 1.30 to 5.30, and on Sunday, from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon. Members who have not shot during the month for the 1905 and 1906 Governor's Cups are reminded that these are the last two shoots for the month of March.

THE statement of accounts for 1905 of the Yangtze Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whose paid-up capital is £15,000 shows a divisible balance of £15,759.8. It is proposed to pay a dividend of 18 per cent; to propose off the whole of preliminary charges, £15,12,800; to pass £15,12,500 to reserve, increasing this fund to £15,30,000; and to carry forward the balance, £15,5,668.

THE Governor of Hsinkiang has telegraphed that the Russian Consul at Ili has demanded the right to work, as a joint enterprise, of Chinese and Russians, the copper deposits which stretch for 300 miles along the Kushan: Hsinkiang, and which belong exclusively to the Chinese Government; and despite the refusal promptly given him, he is trying to push on by force.

WHAT turned out to be a very "tame" match was that which was played on the Hongkong Football Club ground yesterday afternoon, between the Club and H.M.S. *Rambler*. The Club turned out with two men short, and play on both sides was very uninteresting. Morrell played a good game. Humphreys is too light for back and his kicking is somewhat weak, while the quintette line lacked the necessary "push." There was no scoring on both sides.

A NATIVE contemporary states that their Majesties not long ago asked the advice of the Grand Council, as to the desirability of transferring, Viceroy Tsén Chün-hsun of the Two Kwang provinces, to Szechuan, sending Viceroy Chang Chih-tung of the Hukwang provinces to Canton and placing Viceroy Hsi Liu of Szechuan province at Wuchang in Chang Chih-tung's place. Fortunately, for the officials of Szechuan, the Grand Council told their Majesties that they could not conscientiously recommend such a step.—*M.C.D. News*.

"SHIMMY," shouted the usher in the Summary Court this morning in stentorian tones. "What's that?" asked his Honour. "That's the defendant, my Lord." "What a very extraordinary name!" said his Honour. (Laughter.)

"I rather not have this case adjourned, but go on with it now, my Lord," said a legal representative to his Honour the Puisne Judge, sitting in Summary jurisdiction this morning. "Oh, well, never mind; you'll get more costs," said His Honour, "the adjournment is granted." (Laughter.)

ARTHUR Hoskins, first-class petty officer, H.M.S. *Alacrity*, came before Mr. F. A. Hazelton, at the Magistracy this morning, with a marked left eye. He was charged with refusing to pay his ricksha fare, and with behaving in a disorderly manner while drunk last night. Hoskins admitted the charge and was ordered to pay five cents to the coolie, and fined \$3 for being disorderly.

THE sale now in progress at the sales rooms of Messrs. Hughes and Hough, of Peking curious, will continue to-morrow at the usual hour, 2.30 p.m., but at 3 p.m. punctually, for the convenience of would-be purchasers, a few specially valuable lots will be offered for sale, consisting of a small variety of vases valued from \$3 o to \$1,800, all of which are exquisite specimens of the Japanese potter's art.

A DINNER will be given in the City Hall, at 6.30 p.m. to-day by 150 Petty Officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the British Squadron, to 250 Petty officers and men of the French fleet, and to-morrow night 200 Petty officers and men of the Japanese fleet will be dined in the same place, and at the same hour, by 100 Britishers. Informal smoking concerts will be subsequently given in the theatre.

A CRIMINAL was charged by Inspector Robertson at the Police Court this morning for stealing two cement bags yesterday, the property of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. When asked how the bags came to be found under his jacket, the coolie replied: "It was raining at the time and I only picked them up so that my clothes won't get wet." He was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks.

"Is that man interpreting to the defendant?" asked His Honour the Puisne Judge in the Summary Court this morning, pointing to a Filipino who was talking to a defendant in a case before the Court. "He is explaining, my Lord," replied the usher. "On" said His Honour, "I always thought explaining and interpreting were the same thing" (Laughter); "but in any case he must be sworn in if he is to interpret."

NOTWITHSTANDING the strict watch kept by the police at West Point on gambling dens, there is scarcely a day passes without a batch of men appearing before the Court to be punished. This morning, Sergt. Gordon placed seven men before Mr. F. A. Hazelton, on charges of "keeping a common gaming house at No. 1 Sui Cheong Lane, and gambling. The raid was made at eight o'clock this morning. His Worship fined the leader \$75. The remainder had to pay \$2 each.

THE Chinese equivalent for "John Doe" appears to be "Tong Kee," judging by the number of cases which have lately come before the Summary Court, in which it was stated that on attempting to serve the writ on Tong Kee, the defendant named therein, the man pointed out as Tong Kee invariably disclaimed any identity with the man "wanted," refused the writ, and made no appearance when the case was called. Another of these cases was called on this morning, but the redoubtable Tong Kee was, as usual, conspicuous by his absence, and another judgment with costs was entered against him.

A NICKEL watch, hung upon a nail in an Indian guard's matshed, of the Ordnance Department, Arsenal Street, appeared to have been tempting the Chinese coolies working in the vicinity, for although a couple of attempts have been made to remove the "ticker," the thief failed on each occasion. This morning a coolie made another attempt to make away with the timepiece, but the watch is still in its place and the adventurous coolie was arrested. He was placed before Mr. C. A. D. Melbourne charged with stealing the watch, the property of an Indian soldier from the 119th Infantry. He was sentenced to seven days' hard labour.

A FIREMAN on board U.S.S. *Baltimore*, named James Reggan, got "under the weather" last evening, and after an extra glass or two got disorderly. He complained of being robbed of his money, and started a row in a shop. James got so violent that he snatched a lamp and had to pay for it. He left the shop and in the street accused everyone he saw of stealing his money. This conduct led to James being lodged in a cell. He was placed before Mr. F. A. Hazelton this morning. It was then learnt that James' money was removed by one of his shipmates so that defendant would not squander it. James really lost \$3 this morning for his behaviour last night.

THE dollar question is a burning one in Dell. Dollars are the current coin there among planters and coolies. They will not have Netherlands India currency, though the Government wants to make that the only legal tender. The Government can, however, do nothing owing to the dollar system being too deeply rooted. The recent prohibition by the Straits Government of dollar export from the Colony to countries other than Netherlands India and Borneo has again brought the question up. It shows that Dell's dollar currency depends upon the good pleasure of the Straits Government, which may at any time forbid the exportation of dollars thither.

In that case, so the *Dell Courant* points out, a foreign Government will put an end to the dollar question there, to solve which has hitherto baffled the Netherlands India Government. In that case the dollar question will cease to trouble from want of dollars.

SOME time since a big robbery was effected at Brangkok at the residence of Phra Rajapichai, private secretary to H.R.H. the Minister of the interior, 20,000 ticals worth of property, chiefly jewellery, being stolen. Two persons, husband and wife, who have been wanted ever since, have now been arrested at Kanbur.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 23rd at 12.15 p.m. The barometer has fallen rapidly over the E. coast of China, owing to the approach of a new depression from the Westward.

Probably pressure is highest over S. Japan. Gradients are slight over S. China, and light S.E. and S. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea, with fog along the coast.

Forecast—light or moderate E. to S. winds; foggy, some rain.

OUR NAVAL GUESTS.

ENTERTAINMENTS BY THE BRITISH COMMUNITY.

A meeting of some of the leading residents, of the Colony, convened by the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, was held in the offices of that gentleman for the purpose of considering what the unofficial community should do towards assisting in the general entertainment of our French and Japanese naval visitors.

The following provisional committee was then formed: Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson, Hon. Mr. R. Shewan, Hon. Mr. Gershon Stewart, Messrs. J. R. M. Smith, D. R. Law, A. Babington, A. G. Wood, A. H. Rennie, T. P. Cochran, D. Nissim, T. Levy, C. H. Medhurst, H. N. Mody, E. A. Hewitt, and T. F. Hough. Hon. Sir Paul Chater was elected chairman, Mr. J. R. M. Smith, hon. treasurer, and Hon. Mr. Gershon Stewart, hon. secretary.

After considering the matter the following programme was drawn up, which it is hoped they will be able to carry out in its entirety. On Monday, the 26th inst., a dinner will be given at 1 o'clock at the City Hall, to the petty officers and bluejackets, the party consisting of an equal number of Japanese and British. After the dinner arrangements will be made, if possible, to give those desirous of doing so an opportunity of witnessing the sports of the 12th Baluchi Regiment. On the evening of Monday, the 26th inst., the members of the Hongkong Club will entertain the officers of the Japanese fleet at dinner, while the Club will entertain the officers of the French fleet at a date to be subsequently fixed, their stay in port being considerably longer than that of the Japanese. On Saturday, March 31st, a dinner will be given at the Race Club premises, "Happy Valley," at mid-day, to an equal number of French and British petty officers and bluejackets, to be followed by a gymkhana to the men.

Subscriptions towards defraying the expenses of these entertainments to the men of the French, Japanese and British fleets will be kindly received by the hon. treasurer, from any member of the British community who may be willing to subscribe.

We are given to understand that our visitors would feel gratified by seeing their national flags displayed, and no doubt this privilege will not be withheld, but that those flags will enter largely into every scheme of decoration.

There had been some doubt as to the practicability of arranging for the guests to be present at the sports of the 12th Baluchis after the dinner on Monday, on account of their large number and the limited ground space, but that was set at rest by the receipt, by the hon. secretary this afternoon, of a note from the Colonel of that regiment signifying the pleasure it will give him and the officers to see the men of the fleets at those sports.

THE JAPANESE FLEET.

At 11 o'clock this morning Admiral Shimura, accompanied by Captain Tsuchiya, commanding the *Itsukushima*, the Admiral's flagship, Captain Okumiya, commanding *Matsu-shima*, and Captain Ishikashi, commanding the *Hashidate*, landed at Blake Pier, where they were received by Commodore Williams, Lieut. Muller, R.N., Mr. M. Noma, Japanese consul, and a guard of honour, comprised of 100 rank and file of the Royal West Kent, who were lined up on the road facing the pier, with band and colours. As the Admiral stepped ashore the guard presented arms, and the band played the Japanese National Anthem. There was no inspection of the guard of honour, the party immediately entering chairs, and proceeding to Government House to call upon His Excellency the Governor.

UNITED SERVICE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS.

The results of Thursday's shooting at the C.U.S.R. Association's meeting areas follows:

CARBINE COMPETITION.

203 yards.

Maj. Kelsall, R.G.A.

1st. J. Grant, H.K. Police

Insp. Robertson, "

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"
SERVICE.

GERMAN ENTERPRISE.
PROPOSED COALING WHARF

TO BE SECURED IN SINGAPORE.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Singapore, 23rd March,
10.55 a.m.

There are persistent rumours circulating in shipping circles to-day that certain German steamship firms in Singapore are endeavouring to secure a suitable site for the erection of their own wharf for coaling ships at this port.

So far no details of the project have transpired.

[Reuter's.]

France, Russia and the Morocco Conference.

London, 21st March.

The *Times* states that Count Lamsdorff has telegraphed to the Russian delegate at Algeciras, denying German press reports that Russia is sympathising with Germany in her proposals, and declaring that "Russia is always France's faithful ally."

The Conference and the Pretender.

The Moorish pretender has sent letters to the delegates at Algeciras declaring that he is true to the Sultan.

The Censure of Lord Milner.

There are growing indications in South Africa, also among the Unionists and a section of the Ministerialists, that, in connection with the motion of censure on Lord Milner announced yesterday evening, the Government should submit an amendment, to the effect that the House, while condemning the flogging of Chinese, desires, in the interest of peace and conciliation of South Africa, to refrain from personal censure of individuals.

Later.

Parliament.

In the debate on the Appropriation Bill, Mr. Chamberlain moved that a Royal Commission should investigate the Transvaal Labour question.

Mr. Winston Churchill said that the Commission was unnecessary and futile, inasmuch as whatever the decision, one side would remain unconvinced.

The motion for a Commission was rejected by 378 to 110.

A SAILOR DROWNED.

BODY PICKED UP BY FISHERMEN.

A fishing-junk entered the harbour this morning and delivered to the police the dead body of William Charles Hopper, twenty-eight years of age, a sailor on board H.M.S. *Hecate*, which they discovered floating at Centre Island, near Taipo, yesterday afternoon. The body was removed to the morgue. It is reported that a few days ago deceased fell overboard in the harbour, and although a search was made his body could not be found.

JAPANESE STOWAWAYS.

THIRTY-FIVE GIRLS IN SHIP'S HOLD.

A Nagasaki dispatch states that thirty-five girls were discovered, the other day, in the hold of a German steamer at Kuchinotou which was about to sail for Hongkong. They had been concealed on board the steamer for seven days practically without food, and the unfortunate girls were quite exhausted from want of food and air. Two of the number were unconscious when found.

The General Officer Commanding will make his annual inspection of the H.K.S.B.R.G.A. at Gun Club Hill Barracks on Monday next, the 26th instant, at 9.30 a.m.

LEAVE of absence on private affairs to the neighbouring countries has been granted to the undermentioned officers:—Lieut.-Colonel H. G. Fitton, D.S.O., and Royal West Kent Regiment, from 29th March to 21st April; Lieut.-Colonel C. L. Josling, Royal Army Medical Corps, from 11th April to 15th July; Captain J. D. Oyley, 119th Infantry, from 29th March to 27th May.

THE Brand which was in collision with the a.s. *Dalmatian* *Kotchikha Maru* off Pedro Blanco, as recorded in these columns, arrived in port late last evening and took up a mooring temporarily at the Austrian-Lloyd's buoy, pending arrangements for her docking. The Brand has had several of the plates on the port bow stove in, and her water-tight compartment forward was full of water.

ALLEGED ARSON.

FOUR MEN CHARGED.

At the instance of Chief Detective Inspector Hanson, at the Police Court this afternoon, the master of the Kwong Tung Chuen, shop at No. 147, Wing Lok Street, a salesman, a servant, and a cook, were charged on demand with having on 8th March unlawfully and maliciously set fire to house No. 147, Wing Lok Street, with intent thereby to defraud Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, agents for the London and Lancashire and Royal Exchange Insurance Companies, of \$10,000; and Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company, agents for the North British Mercantile Insurance Company of \$6,000.

The defendants pleaded "not guilty."

Mr. P. W. Goldring, of the office of Messrs. Bruton, Heit, and Goldring, appeared for the defendants, while a number of gentlemen from insurance offices watched the proceedings on behalf of their respective companies.

The first witness to be examined was Indian police-constable 869. He said that, on the night of the 8th inst., he went on duty at 10 p.m. At 10.45 p.m. witness was going in the direction of Wing Lok Street. Everything was quiet at the time. Witness's attention was attracted by flames issuing from a window on the first floor of No. 147, Wing Lok Street. Witness was right in front of the building when the fire broke out. No noise was heard in the shop. Witness went to the door of the shop and found it unlocked. Suddenly the first and second defendants ran out of the house with books under their arms. They were arrested. Witness did not see any fire in the ground floor. The men were removed to the Central Station.

Cross examined: All the other shops in the street were closed. The street was deserted. Witness did not sound his whistle until after he had arrested the two men. Witness heard no noise and was not deaf.

H. Hoggarth, assistant engineer, Public Works Department, produced a plan of the ground, first and second floors of No. 147, Wing Lok Street.

By Mr. Goldring: There were no verandahs to the house.

Lance-Sgt. Moore declared that he went on duty at midnight on the 8th inst. On his round he saw a *lukong* running along Bonham Strand, and followed him to Wing Lok Street. It was about 1 a.m. at the time. On arrival witness found No. 147 on fire. The first and second floors were both ablaze and flames were shooting out of the first floor windows. The shutters on the second floor were closed. There was one shutter closed on the first floor, but the flames were burning it. When witness had two men in custody. He went into the ground floor. The staircase leading from the ground floor to the floor above was alight at the top. The staircase in question was situated inside the ground floor. The flames on the staircase were burning downwards. Witness was for about two years a member of the local fire brigade. Assuming that the fire originated at the back of the house, in witness's opinion, the fire would have been burning for about seven or eight minutes to have taken the hold that it had when he arrived to see the flames shooting out of the front window, and burning down the staircase.

By Mr. Goldring: Several *lukongs* were on the scene before him. There were a crowd of about 100 present, and a slight wind was blowing. At this stage the case was adjourned until Monday next, at 2.15 p.m.

THE BUNDLE TRICK.

A SMART CAPTURE BY THE POLICE.

The old trick of substituting passengers' bundles on board Canton steamers for bundles of old rag, etc., is again in vogue. Yesterday afternoon a Chinese passenger arrived in the Colony on board the steamer *Fathum*. Before landing he opened his supposed bundle to replace certain articles that were in use during the trip, and was surprised to find that the bundle contained old rags and paper, while his bundle of clothing and £1 in silver, had disappeared. He hurried to the Central Police Station and reported the matter. A detective was sent to hunt for the thief, and, after a search, found the trickster comfortably installed on board the s.s. *Hunum*, with the missing bundle beside him, waiting leisurely to return to Canton. He was promptly secured. At the Police Court this morning the defendant pleaded guilty to the charge. It was also learned that defendant was a "professional" at this game, and belonged to a gang of scoundrels who live by this means.

Mr. Hazelwood sentenced him to be exhibited in the stocks for six hours on the Canton wharf, and to go to gaol for six weeks, with hard labour.

EXCHANGE IN SIAM.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT STEP.

The Ministry of Finance has informed the Banks in Bangkok that in order to prevent the sterling value of the tical falling below 12d., the Treasury will, if necessary, in future sell to the public sterling drafts on London at that rate. Similarly that is the lowest value that will in future be obtained for the tical on foreign Money Orders obtained through the Post Office.

The *Bangkok Times* says that this step will for the future reduce the fluctuations of exchanges there to a minimum, comparatively. The Government selling price of the tical is 3d., and its exchange value will not now go below 12.2d., as the Treasury is prepared to sell sterling drafts at that figure. The price of the sovereign therefore will vary between 16 (it is 16.07 at present) and 16.27. That eliminates the old element of a gambling risk, and the whole country is to be congratulated on the practical fixing of exchange having been reached so soon. It may be noted that since the Mint was closed to the free coining of silver the market rate of exchange averaged 16.84 in the year 1901, 18.28 in 1902, and 17.94 last year (1903). The more recent appreciation was of course due to the rise in the value of silver, which also enabled the Government to fix its selling price at 16 to the sovereign.

H.H. THE GOVERNOR.

"AT HOME."

This afternoon His Excellency the Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., was "at home" in Government House for a Garden-party given in honour of our foreign naval visitors. His Excellency, who was attended by Captain Arthur-Leslie, and Captain Smith, A.D.C.'s, and Mr. R. A. H. Ponsonby, private secretary, received his guests on the lawn, and as the various naval and military guests in their brilliant uniforms arrived, with ladies in their gay and charming costumes, the beautiful gardens around Government House presented a very bright and animated scene. The naval, military and civil officials were largely represented as well as the Consular Corps, and well-known members of the British and foreign communities, and during the afternoon the Band of the Royal West Kents played a very well-selected programme of music on the lower lawn, this being always a very enjoyable feature of these functions.

THE DEATHSHIP.

AN EVENTFUL VOYAGE.

The American sailing vessel *Joy*, arrived at Woosung on the 16th inst., after a long and eventful voyage from Singapore. The *Joy* is a vessel of 1,181 tons register, owned and commanded by Captain Stetson, who has been many years on the China Coast. The *Joy* was due to arrive here some time ago, says the *Shanghai Times* of 19th inst., and upon her arrival was attracted by flames issuing from a window on the first floor of No. 147, Wing Lok Street. Witness was right in front of the building when the fire broke out. No noise was heard in the shop. Witness went to the door of the shop and found it unlocked. Suddenly the first and second defendants ran out of the house with books under their arms. They were arrested. Witness did not see any fire in the ground floor. The men were removed to the Central Station.

Cross examined: All the other shops in the street were closed. The street was deserted. Witness did not sound his whistle until after he had arrested the two men. Witness heard no noise and was not deaf.

H. Hoggarth, assistant engineer, Public Works Department, produced a plan of the ground, first and second floors of No. 147, Wing Lok Street.

By Mr. Goldring: There were no verandahs to the house.

Lance-Sgt. Moore declared that he went on duty at midnight on the 8th inst. On his round he saw a *lukong* running along Bonham Strand, and followed him to Wing Lok Street. It was about 1 a.m. at the time. On arrival witness found No. 147 on fire. The first and second floors were both ablaze and flames were shooting out of the first floor windows. The shutters on the second floor were closed. There was one shutter closed on the first floor, but the flames were burning it. When witness had two men in custody. He went into the ground floor. The staircase leading from the ground floor to the floor above was alight at the top. The staircase in question was situated inside the ground floor. The flames on the staircase were burning downwards. Witness was for about two years a member of the local fire brigade. Assuming that the fire originated at the back of the house, in witness's opinion, the fire would have been burning for about seven or eight minutes to have taken the hold that it had when he arrived to see the flames shooting out of the front window, and burning down the staircase.

The *Joy* duly arrived at the quarantine anchorage and was boarded by Dr. Cox, the Medical Officer of the port, who made a thorough examination of the sick men, their quarters, and is understood to have expressed the opinion that the sickness was a virulent type of beri-beri. Complete arrangements have been made for the treatment of the survivors at the quarantine station; also for the thorough disinfection of the vessel previous to her being towed up to Shanghai.

The *Joy* had an exciting career and in her time has been what is known as a "hard packet."

THE NANCHANG AFFAIR.

DEATH OF MAGISTRATE KIANG.

Writing under date Nanchang, the 13th inst., to the *N.C. D. News*, a correspondent says:—

On Saturday about 10 a.m. the Governor with his suite visited the gunboat *Snipe*, after which Connell Werner, the Captain, and Dr. Dave, with escort, paid the usual return visit. The boys of the *Snipe* were feasted at each Yamen. The Governor, while conversing with the Consul, contrary to Chinese prejudice, and the delicacy of feeling in the present case, invited the Consul with Dr. Dave to make an examination of the deceased Magistrate Kiang. Dr. Dave is very reticent, but it is clear that the trachea was totally severed and the esophagus was slightly injured. The man doubtless died of loss of blood, and lack of nourishment. The Chinese doctor, who attended him after the first night, told your correspondent that as far as he could see, it would seem plain that such a wound could not have been produced by oneself. When giving food and the bandage and cotton was on tight, then same food passed down, but each swallow was made with a jerk, accompanied with stamp of the Doctor's foot. At such times Kiang would quiver hand and foot. If the bandage was on loose the food would come out of the wound. Of course the Chinese idea is that the trachea lies behind the oesophagus, and they persist in saying that the latter was severed and not the former.

In your correspondent's opinion Magistrate Kiang had little reason from a Chinese standpoint to take his own life, apart from pressure exerted in the Sinchang case. He had six sons, three wives, forty to fifty thousand taels worth of property and was a popular official, in office, so that although he had a debt of Tls. 7,000 or 8,000, that would not burden him unduly. He was so popular that any position was open to him. He was successful to some degree in resisting undue foreign aggression, but that is the kind of official your correspondent thinks is needed inland. The British Consul is living inside the city, in the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, which has been nicely fitted up so that he is quite comfortable. He has his Chinese Secretary and boy with him, no soldiers, and seems happy enough, though overworked and getting too little sleep. He seems well impressed with the spirit of the officials in regard to the settlement of the case. On Sunday and Monday with his suite he visited every Chapel, Hospital, and School of the various missions in the city. He desired evidently to understand fully the problem of protection and the inadequacy thereof.

The three Romanist places were very large and were all burnt, as was also the small Brethren Mission. The M. E. Mission had five places, the C. I. M. three, and the Brethren one other place, none of which were molested by the mob. Thus it seems evident that the mob was either partly controlled or had but little desire to do other than avenge themselves for the supposed injury of the previous Thursday.

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Khalidah stands at the other side of the room, twenty feet at least from the telephone. You call the designated number and a voice answers, "Please tell me what I have just written on a sheet of paper I hold in my hand." You say, and the distant voice replies, without hesitation, "8-3-4-7, Napoleon Bonaparte." You almost drop the receiver and stagger away from the phone. The distant oracle has told you exactly what you wrote on the paper.

"You are certain there was no collusion between the man who answered you and me?" says Khalidah. "That is, while I may know he is—and no doubt do, or I should not have given you that particular number to call up—had no chance to tell him over the phone what you said?"

"More than satisfied," you stammer.

"Then wouldn't you be more astonished," continues the Egyptian, "to be told that the whole thing is a trick?"

"A trick? Impossible! How could it be?"

"The easiest thing in the world. You see, the man at the other end of the phone had been told by me what to say."

"But when?"

About an hour before you came in."

"But how could he tell what I was going to write before I wrote it? You didn't tell me what to write."

"Strange as it may seem to you," says Khalidah, "I not only told you, but forced you to write certain numbers and a certain name. If you had written anything else the other man would not have been able to tell you. It's all a trick. And the trick consists in my being able to force you, against your will, to write certain numbers and the name desired."

If you believe this explanation and you have to, although you are not really quite convinced, you are still more startled by Khalidah's next statement.

"And by this very trick, if you will think, you will see that I prove there is such a thing as thought transference. Otherwise, how could I force you to write the numbers and the name I wanted written?"

"Of course, the forcing of a card on a person from a full deck is an easy matter, and merely a matter of manipulation. Any half-rate magician can do that without much trouble. But when it comes to giving a person a pencil and a piece of paper, and making him write certain things, it is a question of transferring your ideas, your desire, to him. It is not so easy as you may think, having seen the trick performed."

"Then you believe that the exhibitions of thought transference, mind reading and the like, that are so often brought to public attention, are genui?"

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"This was done by standing in the aisle of the theatre at least sixty feet from the stage on which sat the female 'subject.' He promised the audience he would make her repeat any numbers they might whisper to her, without saying a word of any sort to her. As a number was whispered in his ear, he would merely glance toward the stage and the woman who worked with him would immediately repeat the number. It seemed as though it was simple. This trick is so old that it is a shame to have to expose it. It is done thus:

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"Yet, even now that I have exposed this trick, the very people who read the explanation will go to see o her persons perform it again and again and still be mystified by it. Almost every trick of the same kind, has been shown up time and again, but people forget, or they are put in such a frame of mind by watching the man and woman perform that they are ready subjects for being bamboozled."

"My work in this line has been confined almost entirely to private entertainments. I like them better, for they bring you closer to your audience, and it is much more fun to move about a small drawing-room, among intelligent people who are all on the lookout to catch you and to fool them, than it is to be at such a distance as a man is in a theatre from his audience. In the latter case he has such an advantage over his visitors that the odds are not sportsmanlike, and I am a good deal of a sportman when it comes to that."

"One of my most successful tricks is to have some one in a small roomful of people take a piece of paper and draw something on it with a pencil. Then I will have somebody else, equally unknown to me, duplicate this drawing at the other side of the room, without any possibility having seen the other person's drawing or knowing what it is. While I admit that this is trick, I do not care to tell how it is done, and I will tell you why."

"Whenevertwo people work together, as is usually the case in such exhibitions, the audience is prepared to believe, and should believe, that there is trickery. The presence of a confederate makes this possible. But when only one man works the deceptions—if they are deceptions, and must do it all himself—it is naturally much more wonderful when he succeeds, and he should be permitted to keep the secret of whatever trick he may invent. I do not admit that every thing I do is a trick—on the contrary, I claim an ability to do certain things that cannot readily be explained by natural means."

There is no spiritualism about it, as some mediums have claimed when they have seen my exhibitions. I don't believe in spiritualism, and believe that every manifestation made by any medium in the past twenty years in this country is a fake, pure and simple. How such persons as Dr. Fun, Professor Syblop and their associates can be bamboozled by the Mrs. Pipers, Peppers, et al., surpassed my understanding."

"I would be willing to wager almost anything that so far as the ability to read another person's mind goes, this Mrs. Pepper, who has recently claimed to receive communication from Dr. Hodgson's spirit, is absolutely incapable. I know, as do the public, how many of her letter-reading tricks are done. But even those who no longer believe that she has spiritualistic powers give her credit for being a telepathist or mind reader. Take my word for it. Mrs. Pepper is no mind reader, but the veriest trickster, and the things she does can be and are duplicated every day by people on the vaudeville stage."

"I believe in trickery for the purpose of amusing the public, but when it comes to using it under the cloak of spiritualism, as so many do, or when any occult powers are claimed, I am the first to expose them. You would scarcely believe the opportunities given to a man in my profession to turn his abilities to 'crooked' and underhand purposes. I have been offered large sums of money by so-called spiritualists to teach them some of the things I do in order that they may duplicate them and mystify their pitiful subtleties in spiritualistic seances. I have, it is needless to say, consistently refused to be a party to such deception."

"Recently I completed for purposes of exhibition a cabinet, something like a spiritualist's cabinet, from which I can produce three women, one after the other, after the audience has been convinced that there is no one hidden in it; it is entirely open both in front and rear. I showed this to a medium whom I know, and offered me more than I ever expect to make from it if I would let him use it for materializing purposes. In fact, I found him trying to copy the cabinet, and had to convince him that my patent rights would be enforced if he did not stop."

"About the only supernatural element ever introduced in public exhibitions is what is really 'muscle reading.' Washington Irving Bishop used this, and made it very successful under the disguise of mind reading. He would allow some one to hide an object at a great distance, and then, holding the person's arm, or touching his elbow, go directly to the place and find the object, while blindfolded. This seems wonderful, and I have no doubt it is rather remarkable. Few people today can do it, but I learned the method very easily, and employ it very generally."

"I can do it under any circumstances, and it is a source of great delight to me to work a roomful of friends into almost a frenzy of wonder by finding one object after another that they may hide about the house."

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"Yet, even now that I have exposed this trick, the very people who read the explanation will go to see o her persons perform it again and again and still be mystified by it. Almost every trick of the same kind, has been shown up time and again, but people forget, or they are put in such a frame of mind by watching the man and woman perform that they are ready subjects for being bamboozled."

"My work in this line has been confined almost entirely to private entertainments. I like them better, for they bring you closer to your audience, and it is much more fun to move about a small drawing-room, among intelligent people who are all on the lookout to catch you and to fool them, than it is to be at such a distance as a man is in a theatre from his audience. In the latter case he has such an advantage over his visitors that the odds are not sportsmanlike, and I am a good deal of a sportman when it comes to that."

"One of my most successful tricks is to have some one in a small roomful of people take a piece of paper and draw something on it with a pencil. Then I will have somebody else, equally unknown to me, duplicate this drawing at the other side of the room, without any possibility having seen the other person's drawing or knowing what it is. While I admit that this is trick, I do not care to tell how it is done, and I will tell you why."

"Whenevertwo people work together, as is usually the case in such exhibitions, the audience is prepared to believe, and should believe, that there is trickery. The presence of a confederate makes this possible. But when only one man works the deceptions—if they are deceptions, and must do it all himself—it is naturally much more wonderful when he succeeds, and he should be permitted to keep the secret of whatever trick he may invent. I do not admit that every thing I do is a trick—on the contrary, I claim an ability to do certain things that cannot readily be explained by natural means."

amah, Messrs. Yoong Sun Lilar, Shen Shee Lun, Captain Tufnell, E. N., Mrs. Sparks and infant, Mr. Linrus, Mrs. P. H. Millard and infant, Mr. F. and Mrs. Anderson, 2 children and governess, Mr. Wm. and Mrs. Cope, Messrs. O. P. Gladstone and E. Cateaux.

For *Zaidah*, from Rangoon—Capt. and Mrs. Geoghegan, Messrs. Flanagan, Jas. Kemp, B. Muller, and B. Rienkens, and 39 Chinese, and 1 Japanese.

Per *Nippon Maru*, from San Francisco, &c.

—Miss J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jenney, Lieut. Roy Vincent, Mr. David Walstrom, Lieut. and Mrs. W. Whitled, Messrs. W. A. Flatts, Mr. Morris, H. S. Geibel, Kanazawa and A. Vincent.

Passengers departed.

Per *Armand Behic*, for Shanghai—Messrs. Carl Aug Weber, Graf von Bismarck, Mr. and Mrs. G. Patterson, Messrs. Sung Han Chang, Quintus, Mrs. Anna J. de Jesus, Messrs. Theodore d'Olivera, Donnenberg, W. Watson and Lorion, For Kobe—Messrs. K. Nomura and Rondon. For Yokohama—Lieut. B. Buxton, Regnault, and Mr. and Mrs. de Montfort.

Per *Zofia*, for Manila—Messrs. J. M. Luisin and J. M. Joseph, Mrs. L. K. Taylor, Mrs. M. Kelly, Messrs. Leong Yung Hing and Wong Hi. For Amoy—Mr. Cheung Yu Shin.

Shipping Report.

From *Delta* from Shanghai—Weather overcast and hazy throughout.

Str. *Hatching* from Coast Ports—Foochow to Swatow thick fog, and from thence to port fine weather.

Str. *Kwongsong* from Shanghai—Light variable winds, and at intervals dense fog from Turnabout Island to port.

Str. *Brand* from Chinkiang—Been in collision with the Japanese steamer *Daini Kotokira Maru* on Tuesday morning, about Pedro Blanco in the fog.

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS.

Aldershot, Br. s.s., 1,354, W. W. Adam, 16th Mar., Fremantle 25th Feb., Gen.—B. & Co.

Alexander, Am. s.s., 2,100, Gore, 1st Mar.—Maula 25th Feb., Coal.—Order.

Ban Yek, Am. s.s., 900, Fabreys, 20th Mar.—Iloilo 14th Mar., Sugar.—Order.

Chong Shing, Br. s.s., 1,250, S. J. Payne, 19th Mar.—Port Talbot 2nd Jan., Batavia and Singapore 13th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

China, Am. s.s., 1,86, D. E. Freile, 18th Mar.—San Francisco 13th Feb., and Manila 16th Mar., Maila and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Chingtu, Br. s.s., 1,459, J. McD. Howie, 20th Mar.—Melbourne via Ports 11th Feb., Gen. and Mostly Flour.—B. & S.

Chowai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. M. Miller, 21st Mar.—Bangkok 12th Mar., Rice.—B. & S.

Clam, Br. s.s., 3,000, Bramston, 21st Mar.—Balikpapan 14th Mar., Kerosine.—A. R. M.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 900, H. Ohta, 21st Mar.—Tamsui 18th Mar., Amoy 19th, and Swatow 20th Mar.—Gen.—O. S. K.

Daini Kotokira Maru, Jap. s.s., 4,167, T. Arinchi, 21st Mar.—Kobe and Karatsu 15th Mar., Coal and Gen.—Bismarck & Co.

Daino Maru, Nor. s.s., 1,196, T. Chervig, 17th Mar.—Mojii 1st Mar., Coal.—Order.

Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, R. Archibald, R.N.R., 14th Mar.—Vancouver, B.C., 10th Feb., and Shanghai 11th Mar., Mails and Gen.—P. M. & Co.

Franklin, Br. s.s., 1,428, P. Baker, 22nd Mar.—Shanghai 2nd Mar., Coal.—Gen.—C. P. & Co.

Fookang, Br. s.s., 1,084, W. E. Sawyer, 19th Mar.—Calcutta 26th Feb., Penang and Singapore 10th Mar., Gen.—D. S. & Co.

Gregory Ancar, Br. s.s., 2,061, S. H. Bolson, 16th Mar.—Calcutta 26th Feb., Penang and Singapore 10th Mar., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.

Hanjin, Fr. s.s., 739, T. Meerles, 8th Mar.—Manila 4th Mar., Ballast.—A. R. M.

Hilary, Ger. s.s., 1,220, Zeigler, 14th Mar.—Panaraken 26th Feb., Sugar.—S. & Co.

Ilyenrood, Ger. s.s., 1,025, F. Th. Lehmann, 22nd Mar.—Canton 2nd Mar., Gen.—S. & Co.

Keng Wai, Ger. s.s., 1,102, Kohler, 22nd Mar.—Bangkok via Swatow 21st Mar., Rice.—B. & S.

Hutchings, Br. s.s., 1,276, A. E. Hodges, 23rd Mar.—Funchow 20th Mar., Amoy 21st, and Swatow 2nd Mar., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Siam, Br. s.s., 700, R. A. Burns, 23rd Mar.—Canton 2nd Mar., Oil.—Mr. Geo. Mc Bain.

Kwangtung, Ch. s.s., 1,536, Wm. H. Lunt, 23rd Mar.—Shanghai 20th Mar., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Nippont Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,072, W. W. Greene, 23rd Mar.—San Francisco 20th Feb., and Shanghai 20th Mar., Mails and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Zaida, Br. s.s., 2,95, A. M. Rait, 21st Mar.—Rangoon via Straits 9th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

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